# **VENEZUELA OPENS** WAR ON COLOMBIA.

President Castro's Fleet Begins Bombardment of Rio Hachia.

THREE REPUBLICS INVOLVED.

Nicaragua and Ecuador Reported to Be Acting in Concert With Venezuelan Forces-American Interests in Danger.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Washington, Sept. 7.-The Colombian Legation has just received the following cablegram.
"Willestad, Curacao, Sept. 7-Venezue-

lan fleet is bombarding Rio Hachia. "BECERRA." Doctor Becerra formerly was Colombian

Minister in Washington.

AMERICAN GUNBOATS ORDERED. Washington, Sept. 7 .- The Navy Department has ordered the gunboat Machine, new at Colon, to Bocas del Toro, to look after American interests in that quarter during the isthmian troubles. The battleship Iowa has arrived at Panama. The gunboat Ranger, now at that place, has

been ordered back to San Francisco. This is the inauguration of active hostillties in South America, where conditions

have been threatening for months. The United States have war vessels both sides of the isthmus, and they will see that treaty rights are respected.

Rio Hachia is an important town on the north coast of Colombia. This bombardment appears to be the first open act of war on the isthmus. The Colombian Legation is in receipt of a dispatch from the Minister of Foreign Affairs at Bosota which says that new invasions from Venezuela, Ecuador and Nicaragua are an-

The Minister declares that Colombia continues to be pacific and strictly neutral, and that Colombia condemns the rebel invasions of Garbarias into Venezuela,

### JERSEYVILLE.

SEMIANNUAL PRIZE MEETING. Extensive Display of Alton Horticul-tural Society.

The semiannual prize meeting of the Alton Horticultural Society was held yesterday in the Courthouse at Jorseyville. Extensive preparations had been made by the Jerseyville members of the society. The sessions were held in the Circuit Court room. In an adjoining room extensive displays of fruit and vegetables were made. Major Walter E. Carlin presided at the meeting. Most of the prizes awarded were cash. The contributions being made by the merchants of Jerseyville.

Among those from out of town in attendance were William Jackson, William Hyndman, Doctor and Mrs. W. L. Smith, Misses Churchill and Hannah Davis and James Davis of Godfrey; Mr. and Mrs. E. Hollard of Meiville, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McPike, Miss Morland McPike, Miss Mae Armstrong of Alton; Doctor and Mrs. E. C. James, E. Simms, Mr. and Mrs. E. Hollard Gotz, Mr. and Mrs. L. Powless and L. Megowen of Upper Alton.

Jerneyville Notes.

Jerney C. Davis, both of North Calhoun,

—John R. Sevier of Hamburg and Miss Emma

Cress of Monier were murried at Hardin yeaturday by the Reviered Jaimes R. Sager.

—A party of St. Louisans are spending a few
days at Kampwille fishing. The party is on the
yacht Ho-Ho, and includes the following persons:
Edward C. Guton, chairman of the Twelfin Con
grassional District Democratic Committee; Willlam J. Sheehan, P. J. Laughlin, Gus Knueppel,

Louis Miller, Joseph Abbott and R. G. Good
crough. "Editor J. M. Page of the Jerseyville Demo-rat and A. W. Cross, president of the Jersey-ville National Bank, returned from Chicago yea-terday, where they attended a meeting of the directors of the Gold Hill Tunnel and Mining Dompany. Editor Page is the secretary of the

ompany.

—A meeting of the Jersey County Medical So-iety has been called for Thursday, to be held in he Courthouse. Doctor McAnally, president of he State Medical Society, will be in attendance o reorganise the society. Doctor McAnally will sorganise all the societies in the State within he next few months along the lines laid down y the State society.

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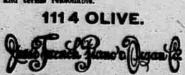
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